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April 10, 2006

Dear Community Member,

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has prepared this community survey to gather information as part of our public outreach program. DTSC has issued an Imminent and Substantial Endangerment Determination and Remedial Action Order (Order) for two Sites located in Oakland, California. DTSC will be overseeing further investigation and cleanup activities at Northwestern Venetian Supply Corporation (Northwestern) located at 1218 24th Street and Commercial Buildings located at 1250-1276, 1284 West Grand Avenue and 2232 Poplar Street. Your response to this survey will help DTSC assess community interest and conduct future community outreach activities. Please return this survey to Nancy Cook, Public Participation Specialist, by May 1, 2006.

Below is a description of the two Sites and future environmental activities:

Commercial Buildings Site: Environmental investigations conducted at this site found volatile organic compounds in the soil and groundwater. The contamination is likely associated with former dry cleaning operations at the Site. DTSC has determined that further investigation is necessary to develop a cleanup plan. A fact sheet will be mailed to the community once a cleanup plan is developed for public review. For more information about environment activities at Commercial Buildings, please contact Janet Naito, DTSC Project Manager, at (510) 540-3833 or email her at jnaito@dtsc.ca.gov.

Northwestern Venetian Supply Corporation Site (Northwestern): Environmental investigations conducted at this site found lead and volatile organic compounds in the soil and groundwater. The contamination is likely associated with former venetian window blind manufacturing operations at the Site. DTSC has determined that further investigation is necessary to develop a cleanup plan. A fact sheet will be mailed to the community once a cleanup plan is developed for public review. For additional information about environmental activities at Northwestern, please contact Ryan Miya, DTSC Project Manager, at (510) 540-3775 or email him at rmiya@dtsc.ca.gov.

For further information about public participation, please contact Nancy Cook, DTSC Public Participation Specialist, at (510) 540-3923 or email her at ncook@dtsc.ca.gov. For media questions, please contact Angela Blanchette, DTSC Public Information Officer, at (510) 540-3732 or email her at ablanche@dtsc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

[Original signed by Nancy Cook]

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LOCATION MAP for
COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS and
NORTHWESTERN VENETIAN SUPPLY CORPORATION Sites





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Commercial Buildings and Northwestern Venetian Supply Corporation Oakland, California

Community Survey April 10, 2006

Please return this survey to Nancy Cook, DTSC Public Participation Specialist, by May 1, 2006.

1. Please mark your current knowledge about these Sites.

- ☐ I do not know anything about these Sites.
- ☐ I have heard about these sites but have little or no information on them.
- ☐ I know a lot about these sites.

2. Please mark your interest in these Sites.

- ☐ I do not know anything about these Sites and cannot tell you if I am interested or not.
- ☐ I have no interest. I would not be interested in information about these Sites.
- ☐ I have some interest. I would be interested in hearing or reading more about these Sites.
- ☐ I am very interested. I would read information mailed to me and talk to people about these Sites.

3. Please mark your willingness to attend a meeting regarding these Sites.

- ☐ I would not attend a meeting.
- ☐ I might attend a meeting if it was convenient for me.
- ☐ I would attend a meeting.

4. Please tell us how many times you have attended a public meeting on an issue that concerns you?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ 1-2 times
- ☐ 3-5 times
- ☐ More than 5 times

5. Do you have a language preference for receiving information about these Sites?

- ☐ English
- ☐ Spanish
- ☐ Other _____

6. We want to tell you more about these Sites. What is the best way to give you information?

- ☐ Printed material and/or letters.
- ☐ By newspaper. What newspaper do you read? _____
- ☐ By radio. What radio station do you listen to? _____
- ☐ Community meetings. When is the best time for you to attend?
_____ During the day _____ In the evening _____ Saturday

7. We sometimes need to talk with community members to learn more. Would you be willing to talk with us?

- ☐ No
- ☐ Yes → How may we contact you?
Name _____
Address _____
Telephone number _____

8. Do you have an active community group or individual in your neighborhood that we should contact? If so, please provide us with the following information:

Name _____
Address _____
City, State, zip code _____
Phone number _____

Please feel free to add any other comments you may have about the Sites or public participation.

We appreciate the time you have taken to complete this survey. Please return the survey in the enclosed envelope by May 1, 2006. If you have questions or concerns regarding the community survey or the Sites, please call us; we want to hear from you.

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